

REMARKS

This amendment is in response to the outstanding Office Action and is believed to place this application in order for allowance.

In the Office Action, the Examiner has allowed claims 6 to 8, 10, 11, and 19, but rejects claims 2-5, 9, 12-16 and 20-22. In the foregoing amendment, claims 2 to 5 have been amended to depend from allowed independent claim 7, claim 9 has been rewritten as a dependent claim to depend from allowed claim 8, and claim 12 has been rewritten as a dependent claim to depend from allowed claim 7. It is therefore submitted that these claims should also now be allowable, along with claims 13, 15, and 16 which depend from amended claim 12 and claim 14 which depends from amended claim 9. Rejected claims 20 to 22 have been canceled.

Since all the claims rejected in the Office Action have either been canceled or amended so that they depend from an allowed claim, it is submitted that all claims remaining in this application, specifically claims 2 to 16 and 19, are now in order for allowance. Early notice to this effect is earnestly solicited. If there are any outstanding objections or rejections which could be dealt with by means of a telephone interview, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned representative.

Respectfully submitted,

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